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For : VEHICLE STEERING HEAD

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Sir:

Your petitioner, HEINZ KETTLER GMBH & CO. KG, a German corporation, whose business address is Hauptstrasse 28, D59469 Ense-Parsit, Germany, represents that it is the owner of record of the entire right, title and interest of the above-identified application by virtue of an assignment recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 1, 2000 at Reel 010858, Frame 0316 of grandparent U.S. Application No. 09/584,497, now U.S. Patent No. 6,378,884, for VEHICLE STEERING HEAD and further by virtue of a clarifying assignment paper recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 11, 2002, at Reel 012664, Frame 0446 of grandparent U.S. Application No. 09/584,497, now U.S. Patent No. 6,378,884, for VEHICLE STEERING HEAD and further by virtue of an assignment recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 12, 2002, at Reel 013019, Frame 0009 of grandparent U.S. Application No. 09/584,497, now U.S. Patent No. 6,378,884, for VEHICLE STEERING HEAD, and further by virtue of a change of name recorded in the U.S. Patent and

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Trademark Office on January 12, 2005, at Reel 016145, Frame 0981 of grandparent U.S. Application No. 09/584,497, now U.S. Patent No. 6,378,884, for VEHICLE STEERING HEAD.

Your petitioner, HEINZ KETTLER GMBH & CO. KG, also represents that an assignment was recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on February 24, 2003 at Reel 013777, Frame 0853 of parent U.S. Application No. 10/298,002, now U.S. Patent No. 6,799,772, for VEHICLE STEERING HEAD and a change of name recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 12, 2005, at Reel 016153, Frame 0013 of parent U.S. Application No. 10/298,002, now U.S. Patent No. 6,799,772, for VEHICLE STEERING HEAD.

The undersigned representative is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee, and it is certified that to the best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee.

Your petitioner, HEINZ KETTLER GMBH & CO. KG, hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of any patent granted on the above-identified application which would extend beyond the expiration date of U.S. Patent Nos. 6,799,772 and 6,378,884, and hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the above-identified application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that the legal title to said patent shall be the same as the legal title to United States Patent Nos. 6,799,772 and 6,378,884, this agreement to run with any patent granted on the above-identified application and to be binding upon the grantee, its successors or assigns.

Petitioner does not disclaim any terminal part of any patent granted on the above identified application prior to the expiration date of the full statutory term as defined in

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements, and the like so made, are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under Section 1001, Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Respectfully submitted,  
HEINZ KETTLER GMBH & CO. KG

  
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